



CITY OF MORGAN HILL
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SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
After Action
REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 5, 2001

Morgan Hill Civic Center
Council Chambers
17555 Peak Ave.

Senior Advisory Committee	
Chair	Marilyn Gadway
Vice-Chair	William Keig
Committee Member	Doris Bateman
Committee Member	Joan Harkness
Committee Member	La Gina Metcalf
Committee Member	John Bautista
Committee Member	Kenneth Mort

Parks & Recreation Commissioner Craig van Keulen

2:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gadway at 2:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

All members were present

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE

Led by Committee Member Mort

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VERBAL REPORTS

YMCA SENIOR PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE

YMCA Senior Program Staff

Teri Nelson, Executive Director, provided the Committee with a verbal update of January activities at the Senior Center as well as upcoming activities throughout the month of February. Ms. Nelson distributed the February Senior Center Newsletter and announced that on February 14, 2002, seniors can bring a friend to the Center for lunch and your friend's lunch is free of charge. Ms. Nelson also announced that participation in the Nutrition Program had increased. The averagedaily attendance per day is 80 with a high of 102. Ms. Nelson also stated that the newsletter's distribution has increased to 800. The target distribution for the newsletter is 1200. The newsletter is now being distributed throughout the City at various locations including developments and communities with a large number of senior residents. Member Metcalf stated that the newsletter was posted within her community and that several of the residents were surprised to learn about the Senior Nutrition Program. She stated that it was beneficial to distribute the newsletter in her community.

The YMCA will also provide free help to seniors to file income tax returns. This service will be available through April 15, 2002. There will also be a Resource Seminar for Seniors conducted by Michelle Ashen on February 28, 2002 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The seminar will focus on ways seniors can protect capital, reduce taxes, avoid nursing home costs, avoid estate taxes and protect estate values.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Recreation Manager Spier

Recreation Manager Spier announced that the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation to the City Council was that the construction of the new Indoor Community Recreation Center should not exceed \$18,500,000. Ms. Spier also stated that the City Council had not selected an operating model for the Center and was still considering different options for programming space and capital models: 1) Model 1- a minimum cost to build and minimum cost to operate with limited programming; 2) Model 2- build to the specifications of the YMCA with the YMCA as the operator; and 3) Model 3 - highest cost to build with highest level of programming and amenities.

Recreation Manager Spier then reported on the City Council's Budget Prioritization Meeting that took place on January 30, 2002. She explained the process the Council used to select funding levels for each of the Redevelopment Agency's Capital Projects, including the Indoor Community Recreation Center, Outdoor Sports and Aquatics Center and the proposed library.

COA ADVISORY COMMISSION

Representative Tougas

Representative Tougas provided information on a presentation to the COA on the prevention of Elder Abuse by the Adult Protective Services of Santa Clara County. Mr. Tougas provided hand-outs to the Committee on the presentation and a phone number for information and referral services and/or if abuse of an adult or senior citizen is suspected: 1(800) 414-2002.

Mr. Tougas also provided the committee with a Legislative Alert for Santa Clara County from the California Senior Legislature. Mr. Tougas has been tracking the AP26-Availability of Automated External Defibrillators. This bill requires that defibrillators be available at long-term care facilities, senior centers, and bingo parlors. It also requires that training be provided to use defibrillators correctly. Member Mort suggested that perhaps there are statistics on the frequency of use of defibrillators when they are available at certain sites. Staff will contact the Santa Clara County Emergency Medical Services Office to learn more.

CAG MEETING REVIEW

Commissioner Bautista

Commissioner Bautista reported on the January meeting of the Community Action Group (CAG). The group is working on developing the Senior Registry and is waiting for approval from the new Police Chief. Former Police Chief Schwab (retired) had given approval for the Registry. Sign-ups from interested seniors for the Registry will take place once approval is received from the Police Chief.

A Case Manager from the Council on Aging provided information on the MSSP program. Case Managers work with Seniors over the age of 65 to provide them with access to services and referrals to programs to suit the needs of each client.

The Senior Handbook will be available soon. The cost will be \$5.00 per book.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4, 2001

Motion made by Commissioner Bautista, seconded by Commissioner Harkness, approved 7:0.

BUSINESS

2. REPORT ON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BUDGET PRIORITIZATION WORKSHOP- JANUARY 30, 2002

Recommended Action: Provide update on Redevelopment Agency/City Council Budget Prioritization Meeting on funding levels for capital projects.

Recreation Manager Spier provided information on the workshop the Redevelopment Agency/City Council conducted on Jan. 30, 2002 to set funding priorities for capital projects which include the Indoor Community Recreation Center, the Sports and Aquatics Center and the Library. Ms. Spier informed the Committee that the Redevelopment Agency had approximately \$147 million in funding for capital projects, but that \$31 million had already been identified for Housing Services and that approximately \$20 million would be used for administrative costs. The remainder of the funds would be divided among the projects.

The Redevelopment Agency allocated the following potential funding levels for each project:

1) Library - \$7.5 million [\$1.2 million to be used for land costs]; 2) Sports & Aquatics Complex - \$20 million [\$10 million to be used for land; 3) Indoor Community Recreation Center - \$ 18.5 million [\$5.5 million to be used for land costs]. The Redevelopment Agency directed City staff to cut approximately 5% from each of these projects and report back to Council in the end of February.

3. REPORT ON SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM MEETING - JANUARY 9, 2002

Recommended Action: Provide update on Senior Nutrition Program Meeting attended by staff from the City of Morgan Hill, County of Santa Clara Senior Nutrition Program, Catholic Charities, YMCA, and Chair Gadway of the Senior Advisory Committee

Chair Gadway reported on the issues discussed at the January 9, 2002 meeting. Ms. Gadway stated that the space and equipment needs of the Senior Nutrition Program are important. The representatives from the Santa Clara County Senior Nutrition Program and Catholic Charities stated that the equipment and

space at the present site at the Friendly Inn are insufficient for the current and future needs of the program. They also stated that if the Nutrition Program were to be moved to the new Indoor Community Recreation Center, the kitchen equipment would have to be dedicated to Senior Nutrition Program. This means that other programs and groups that use the Center would not be able to use the kitchen area during the afternoon or weekends. Recreation Manager Spier stated that the City's plan for the new Indoor Community Center includes 3000 square feet of dedicated space for the Senior Nutrition Program. The Friendly Inn site now has 2400 square feet. The Friendly Inn site would require extensive renovation and repairs in order to continue the Nutrition Program. The County and Catholic Charities both stated that there were no funds in their budgets for renovation or repair of the site. There was also discussion of examples of Community Center Kitchens that operated through Joint-Use Agreements. In this case, both the Senior Nutrition Program and other programs have access to the kitchen.

4. NUTRITION FACILITY REQUIREMENTS

Recommended Action: Discuss kitchen and other facility requirements of the Senior Nutrition Program

Discussion continued from Agenda Item 3...

Chair Gadway suggested that perhaps there are other sites within the City of Morgan Hill that could host the Nutrition Program. City staff will research and provide the Committee with a list of other organizations within the City that already have some type of nutrition program and have kitchens large enough to house the program and might be willing to enter into a partnership for the Senior Nutrition Program. Commissioner Metcalf stated that she recalled plans to renovate the Friendly Inn. City staff will research the location of the plans and find out which organization (City of Morgan Hill or YMCA) was going to fund the renovations and the estimated cost. The Senior Advisory Committee also directed staff to develop a matrix of the potential sites for the Nutrition Program, which includes the services demands of the program. Chair Gadway also stated that there are two types of seniors: 1) more recent retirees who could potentially be clients of the Nutrition Program: and 2) older Seniors who could benefit from the Nutrition Program now. She stated that the success of the Nutrition Program now, could effect the number of Seniors who will be seeking the Nutrition Program in the future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Senior Center Sign Downtown - to be removed from agenda [item to be considered by Downtown Revitalization Task Force]
Senior Bond Act and legislative issues

ADJOURNMENT to the next monthly meeting scheduled on **Thursday, March 14, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.**
in City Council Chambers.
